

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79955

Ichiro TANAKA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/785,084

Group Art Unit: 1755

Confirmation No.: 8542

Examiner: David R. Sample

Filed: February 25, 2004

For: A ZIRCONIA SINTERED BODY AND A METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of July 12, 2005 to January 12, 2006.

A check for the statutory fee of \$1020.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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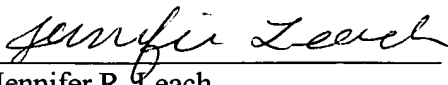
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